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SPACE.	1 Time.	2 Times.	3 Mo.	6 Mo.	9 Mo.	12 Mo.
1 Square	\$1.50	\$3.00	\$8.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
2 Squares	3.00	6.00	16.00	30.00	40.00	50.00
3 Squares	4.50	9.00	24.00	45.00	60.00	75.00
4 Squares	6.00	12.00	32.00	60.00	80.00	100.00
5 Squares	7.50	15.00	40.00	75.00	100.00	125.00

Dr. Knaffel, of Nashville, the father-in-law of our townsman, Mr. T. M. Schleier, is in our city on a brief visit to his relatives. He says that Nashville is rather a dull place at present, and that Knoxville, comparatively, is the most energetic place of the two.

We publish in another column interesting information about a proposed effort to bring German emigrants to the United States. They are to come in such numbers as to make it an object of great interest to us to see if we can do something to induce these industrious people to come to Tennessee.

To be Tried Here.

David Lay, the last one out of a party of seven men charged with committing a murder in Union county, in the year of 1865, will be tried at the next term of the Criminal Court of Knoxville. His case has been transferred to this Court probably for the want of competent jurors in Union county.

Freezing in Bed.

A rather curious instance illustrative of the intense cold of Saturday night is related. A young man from the city visited his relatives in Evanston and slept in a cold room. He awoke at the usual hour in the morning to find that his unprotected ear had been frozen during the night without his knowledge.—Chicago Ocean.

Surprise.

Rev. J. B. Ford, the very efficient pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, was made the subject of a pleasant surprise yesterday evening, by several members of his church. After a pleasant social time, Rev. Jno. Marshall, on behalf of the visitors, presented the pastor with a substantial token of their esteem, in the shape of a nice sum in greenbacks, after which the crowd dispersed.

Personal.

Dr. Josiah Curtis, who has been absent several months exploring the far West, returned to the city yesterday morning, and we are glad to note that he is seemingly in the enjoyment of the best of health. We shall take pleasure to lay before our readers something of what he has seen and heard in the West, at an early day, that is if we can get him to talk, and we think we may be able to do so.

Coal Items.

The Anderson County Coal Company have opened their new mine at Coal Creek, and yesterday shipped their first lot. Wiley, Geers & Co. have opened a new mine at the same place, and will commence shipping in a few days. The Knoxville Iron Company are pushing forward work in their newly purchased mine at Coal Creek and filling orders that accumulated during the holidays.

The Chattanooga Postoffice.

We notice that Hon. Wm. Crutcher and R. S. Kendrick, Esq., postmaster of Chattanooga, have returned from Washington. We do not know when a greater interest has been manifested throughout East Tennessee over a contest for a local office than we have noticed in that relating to the Chattanooga postoffice. Mr. Kendrick may feel proud of the host of friends he has in East Tennessee, all of whom have felt a deep interest in his contest and who rejoice to know that he has come out triumphant.

Sale of Real Estate.

The lots advertised yesterday by Charles Seymour, in Hardee & Co.'s addition, were sold as follows:

No. 71 Dr. Fouché	\$199.50
" 109 G. M. Branner	110.00
" 146 A. R. Humes	158.00
" 196 G. M. Branner	25.00
" 210 G. M. Branner	25.00

These lots were small and unimproved, and the prices show that lots are not decreasing in value. The two at \$25 each were mere fractions of lots cut off by Railroad or creek.

Caught Masquerading.

Our police force were somewhat exercised night before last by the appearance at the City Hall of a female attired in robes of the sterner sex, accompanied by a friend. She is known well in Knoxville, where she is temporarily sojourning, resting from the labors of the stage, in which profession she has been engaged, having given several entertainments at this place. Upon arrest she gave as an excuse that she had donned her male attire in order to find the whereabouts of her truant "better half," which she could do more successfully incog. She gave bond for her appearance yesterday before the Recorder, thereby escaping the luxury of a night's repose in the lock-up.

The Taylor Gun.

We learn through Rev. N. G. Taylor, who passed up the railroad yesterday, that his son, Jas. Taylor, telegraphed yesterday morning from New York, that his gun was a perfect success and forbidding the sale of any more stock at any price. If a complete success as it now seems to be it will be a great thing for East Tennessee where most of the stock is owned. Quite a number of gentlemen in Knoxville are stockholders and with very little exception nearly all of this wonderful gun is owned in East Tennessee. It is difficult now to say just what the value of the gun will be. If final tests sustain the one already made and prove it durable and able to stand the rapid firing it is expected to give, it will be a fortune sure enough. Its friends are entirely sanguine that it will stand all tests and prove to be the greatest gun in the world. We hope their wildest dreams will prove true.

We are called upon this morning to chronicle the death of Mrs. Eliza Esperandieu, wife of Rev. Frederick Esperandieu, one of our most esteemed citizens, which occurred yesterday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock, at their residence on Crooked street. She had been ill but a few days and was not considered dangerously sick until yesterday. She was afflicted with a lung disease something of the nature of pneumonia. On Christmas day she was in good health and spirits and together with other friends dined with her son, Mr. Fred. Esperandieu. On Thursday her sickness first manifested itself, and assumed a complicated and dangerous form yesterday morning.

Mrs. Eliza Esperandieu was born in Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1815. She was the daughter of Rev. Francis Chavannes, who was a minister sixty-three years in Switzerland, having had two parishes during his ministerial life. Miss Chavannes was married to Mr. Esperandieu about 1836 and in 1849 they came to America, being forced to flee their native land through the religious persecutions of Mr. Esperandieu, then a minister of the Gospel. They came to Knoxville at the time referred to and resided here until 1865, when they returned to Switzerland. In 1870 they again returned to Tennessee and have resided here ever since. Mrs. Esperandieu was a lady of culture, and a devoted mother and wife. Not very familiar with our language, her associates were mostly of her own kindred, and with them she was a universal favorite. Of a contented, domestic disposition, she was the life of her home, which was truly a peaceful and happy one. Six children survive her, two daughters unmarried, two married—Mrs. E. Bohl and Mrs. Ducloux, and two sons, Messrs. Fred. and William. Mrs. Esperandieu was a sincere Christian woman, and shared her husband's intense devotion to the doctrines of the Bible. When persecution followed her husband, and his pursuers went even so far as to involve his personal liberty, rather than yield what they conscientiously believed to be right, they left the home of their youth and illustrious kindred and came to Tennessee—here to seek religious freedom and the privilege to worship God as seemed to them best. Firm in her faith, she said yesterday in reply to a question, that if it pleased God to take her away, she would cheerfully go. In this faith, and with her loved ones about her, she went to her home above.

[After the above notice was in type, we received one signed "P," which we would have been glad to publish in place of our own, but which, for want of space and the fact named, does not appear.—EHS. CHRON.]

Accidental Drowning.

On Wednesday afternoon last a distressing accident occurred in the river opposite the mouth of White's spring branch, resulting in the death of a colored man named Jack Branner. He had started across the river in a boat accompanied by Henry Jones and a white boy named William Payne, each carrying a gun and accompanied as they shoved off that the boat was overloaded, and advised his companions to throw the dogs overboard. This was not done, however, and when nearly in the centre of the stream his fears were realized, and owing to the restlessness of the dogs the boat sank, and the occupants found themselves in the water. Jack could not swim and knowing this Henry Jones told him and the boy to stay by the boat and he would swim ashore for assistance. Payne accordingly seized hold of the upturned boat and Jones struck out for the bank, in which he was foolishly followed by Branner, who however, sank almost instantly. Dock Hughes rescued Payne from his uncomfortable position and parties were engaged during Wednesday afternoon and yesterday in dragging the river for the body but up to the time of this writing it had not been recovered.

Monthly Apportionment of School Funds.

The following is a correct apportionment of the school money, collected by the tax collector of Knox county, from the last day of November, 1872, to the last day of December, 1872, and certified by Judge C. W. Jones, chairman of the County Court:

District No. 1	\$335.50
" 2	143.32
" 3	76.00
" 4	50.70
" 5	52.54
" 6	60.66
" 7	61.72
" 8	63.00
" 9	54.40
" 10	103.38
" 11	103.10
" 12	163.18
" 13	39.50
" 14	39.00
" 15	65.78
" 16	126.86
" 17	87.78
" 18	64.92
" 19	63.86
" 20	28.82
" 21	52.32
Total	\$1,850.00

Old and New for 1873.

The editor of *Old and New* promises his readers to give them in 1873, two volumes even better than the previous ones. They are to include serials by Mr. Hale, Mrs. Greenough, and other first-class writers; short stories by Mrs. Stowe, Miss Meredith, Mrs. Whitney, Miss Hale, &c.; the continuance of Mr. Martineau's wise and cheerful series of papers on the relations between God and Man; a series of papers on most interesting public questions, such as Railroads and their power; Woman Suffrage; Labor and Wages; the Problems of the New Administration, and the like. Provision has also been made for articles on interesting points in natural history and philosophy, by such authorities as Prof. J. P. Lesley, President Thos. Hill, Dr. Gray, Mrs. W. H. Dall, Dr. Kellogg, &c., and for the enlargement and improvement of the critical, record, and art departments. The magazine will thus more fully than ever before, afford at once an abundant supply of first-class light reading, and an entertaining record of the most important items of human progress for the time being.

Married.

At the residence of the bride's father, in the 16th civil district of Knox county, on Thursday evening, January 2d, by Rev. J. Albert Hyden, Mr. William E. Rose and Mary J. Callen.

KEMPER & KOHLHAUSE.

Enterprise Triumphs Over Every Obstacle.

About three years ago these two gentlemen came to this city and commenced the manufacture of saddletrees. Having but little capital they were forced to operate on a small scale at first, working no other hands but themselves. Yet they were men of enterprise, and boldly worked their way through, and soon they were enabled to employ some help. Now the Knoxville Saddletree Factory employs twenty-seven hands regularly, and is on a firm footing, receiving constant orders from all the principal cities of the South. Their work is of the best quality; and hence it is eagerly sought after, so much so that they can not fill but half the orders they receive. Their principal orders come from Memphis and New Orleans, with occasional ones from Galveston, Texas. The Memphis house has repeatedly written to them to let them know whenever they are prepared to furnish them more trees, as they are very anxious to increase their standing orders. They now turn out six dozen saddletrees per day, for which they find a ready market at from \$21 to \$24 per dozen, making an average of about \$22.50 for every dozen they turn out. At this rate they ship about 1,872 dozen saddletrees a year which brings them, at \$22.50 per dozen, the average price, \$42,120. Now this money is brought from other cities here, and as Messrs. Kemper & Kohlhaus live in the city, as well as all the hands they employ, and as all the material used is produced in this country, every dollar is expended among us. They expect in less time than a year to enlarge their facilities to such an extent as to enable them to turn out fully double the present number, which would put the neat sum of \$84,240 yearly in circulation from that quarter alone. They commenced with but little encouragement from outsiders, and we doubt whether they could have found any one willing to take stock in the concern. But now they could easily find more than one willing to become a partner. They have leased the Bosworth mill, and put up some machinery in which they prepare the wood and put the trees together, when they are taken to the old shop on the foot of Clinch street to be finished and covered. We are glad to see this establishment growing, and the Knoxville saddletree factory gaining such a reputation abroad, for the proprietors, by their energetic and industrious habits, have raised themselves high in the estimation of our people, and certainly deserve to prosper.

Thieving.

On Thursday night, Mr. John Cavanaugh, who resides in East Knoxville, was aroused by the barking of his dog and going out of the door saw a negro man prowling around the yard. He stepped up to the fellow and catching hold of him asked his business there at that hour of the night? The scoundrel replied by drawing a knife from his pocket with which he inflicted several cuts on the neck and head of Mr. Cavanaugh, who feeling the blood running freely released his hold, when the rascal escaped. He thinks he recognized the thief.

Two evenings since an adroit fellow of the light fingered gentry extinguished the street lamp in front of Prof. J. F. Spence's residence and entering the hall appropriated an overcoat, shawl and three hats, with which he escaped without detection.

Advertising Will Pay.

Frequently when approaching some merchants on the question of advertising, we are told that advertisements did no good, in fact were not read at all. That this is a grand mistake has been repeatedly demonstrated, and last Wednesday we again noted the good effect of advertising. We lost our knife on Monday, advertised it on Tuesday, and on Wednesday a gentleman, who, we believe, is not even a resident of this city, brought it to the office. So if you have lost anything you wish to find, advertise in the *CHRONICLE*; or if you have anything you wish to sell, the *CHRONICLE* is the best medium by which to make it known to the public. Try it and be convinced.

Debating Society.

Sixteen young men of this city met last night at the store of R. S. Crawford and organized a Debating Society. They exercised their powers of oratory on the occasion in the discussion of the question, "Will the Heathen in his Ignorance be Saved?"

At the next meeting, which will take place on Tuesday evening, 8th inst., they will perfect a permanent organization. This is a source of improvement for the young men which is highly commendable.

In their New Quarters.

Messrs. McClung & Bettertons are now in their new quarters in the Methue block, two doors north of their old stand, which is better adapted and more conveniently arranged for their business. The first floor is the main sales room, immediately back of which is the office, which is spacious and well lighted. On the second floor the case goods, cigars, &c., are conveniently arranged for inspection by purchasers, while the heavy packages are stored in the cellar. The salesmen are courteous and affable and the firm are able to offer inducements equal to any other house.

Amusement.

A young lady writes to an exchange giving a recipe for having fun. She says, invite half a dozen boys and girls to your house when your pa and ma are away; put a half-dollar silver piece in a dish with molasses an inch deep in it, and offer it to the boy who gets it with his mouth. The more boys who try to get it, the more fun there will be. That girl surely deserves a diploma.

Athens Affairs.

The finances of Athens are in a satisfactory condition, as is shown by the following statement, which appears in the *Athens Post*: The total receipts amount to \$1,555.91, while the expenditures reach \$694.58. In addition there are \$475.45 unpaid taxes, which, added to the balance before mentioned, would swell the amount to \$1,717.93.

A Semi-Weekly.

The *Greenville Sentinel and Reporter* has been changed to a semi-weekly under the enterprising management of Mr. Small.

RELIGIOUS INFLUENCES.

The Cause of God in Knoxville—The Workings of Our Churches.

NO. IX.—THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

About the year 1835, as near as we can get it from the church records, Rev. Father Brown, of Chattanooga, made some missionary visits to this place. There were only from five to eight Catholic families in this city at that time, yet being a man of unusual energy and perseverance, he conceived the idea of erecting a Catholic church, and at once proceeded to make collections for that purpose. His undertaking met with success, and soon the necessary funds were raised, the lot procured and the building commenced. For much of the funds they are indebted to the liberality of the Railroad men in and around Knoxville.

Before the church was completed, however, Rev. Father Benmans came to this city, and was appointed to take charge of the parish. He is remembered with much love by his old parishioners, for his zealousness in the cause and his faithfulness in building up the church. During his pastorate he made many successful missionary trips throughout East Tennessee, seeking the members of that religion, ministering to their spiritual wants, baptizing their children, confirming their young folks, and building up the older ones in their faith. His labors met with great success, and the church was immensely built up about fifty families being added, making a membership of about 350 communicants. He brought out the benevolence of the church in a remarkable degree. It was during his time that the original church building was completed, and the parsonage, as well as one of the present school rooms were erected. This was a considerable undertaking at his time, yet his energy was such as would not be overcome by any obstacle. He left this city much beloved by all his parishioners, about the 24th of October, 1860.

Father Brown, of Chattanooga, again made several missionary trips to this place until the arrival of a new pastor, during which time he baptised many children, and received candidates to full membership. He is spoken of as a very zealous man, visiting every place where members of that faith were to be found without a regular pastor.

About the first of December, 1860, Rev. Father J. A. Birgrath was appointed pastor of this charge. He entered upon his labors with much fervor, and under his ministry the church prospered, gaining many members. About this time there was a great deal of work on the railroads to be had, and consequently about twenty-five additional Catholic families came to Knoxville. When he retired from the pastorate of this church in April, 1865, there were about seventy-five Catholic families in the city, with an average of about seven communicants to each family, making a church membership at that time of about five hundred and twenty-five communicants. He also left here honored and loved by all his parishioners. Again the church was without a spiritual father for something over a month, but Father Brown, of Chattanooga, true to the missionary spirit that controls him, again visited the Catholic people of Knoxville, administering to their spiritual wants.

About the 6th of May, 1865, Rev. Father Abraham J. Ryan was appointed pastor of this parish. The church continued to grow during his ministry, and about twenty-five more Catholic families took up their residence in Knoxville. He, finding the school room too small for the convenience of the continually increasing number of children visiting that school, had an additional room erected. By the time he closed his connection with this charge, in July, 1867, the membership of the church, (being about seven hundred,) had become so large as to make it necessary to enlarge the church edifice in order to accommodate its members with seats.

About the 23d of October, as near as we can make it from the records, Rev. Father James S. Kean was appointed pastor of this parish, and remained such only a short time. He gave up the charge about April 25th, 1868. It was during his pastorate that the brick addition to the church was commenced, and afterwards finished by his successor. He did not remain long enough to accomplish much good among his parishioners.

In May, 1868, Rev. Father Michael J. Finnegan was appointed pastor. He was a very successful worker in the cause and his labors were crowned with extraordinary success. He brought out the liberality of his people in an unprecedented manner, thousands being given for benevolent and church purposes. He commenced by completing the addition to the church, commenced by Father Kean, after which the bell-tower was erected and a bell procured. He also purchased the ground and established the Catholic Cemetery east of the city. He was filled with the missionary spirit and visited many places up and down the Railroad. Greenville was one of his principal points, and he finally conceived the idea of building a church there, which idea was carried into execution before he retired from this field of labor. The church he built in Greenville cost over \$3,000 of which only \$500 were subscribed in that place while the remainder, \$2,500, were subscribed by the Knoxville congregation. The church was attended with unusual prosperity during his ministry, and at one time had the largest membership she has ever had, before or since, namely: 175 families, or about 1,225 communicants. It was found then that the present church edifice was by far too small to accommodate the membership, there being not even standing room sufficient when there was anything like a general turn out of the congregation. Before he left, however, in July, 1872, a goodly number of these families left the city, yet the membership was something over a thousand communicants when he was succeeded by the present incumbent.

REV. FATHER F. MARRON.

who was appointed pastor of the parish in July, 1872. The church has prospered under his leadership, and is growing in numbers and strength. So far it has not been in his power to do very much, being limited somewhat in finances, owing to the fact that the church still owed about

\$1,000 on the Greenville church enterprise. This debt being now about liquidated it is the purpose of Father Marron, and he believes he will receive ample financial support, in the Spring to build a large school house in the lot north of the parsonage. He says that the present school rooms are too small by far for the number of children attending, and it is his intention to have the school house erected the first thing in the Spring, after which, it is his intention to enlarge the present church edifice. As before stated, it is too small by far for the present membership, which is about 1,120 communicants. The present pastor, Rev. Father Marron, is an energetic and persevering man, and his ministry has opened out with a flattering prospect for the growth of the church, and so far from the present membership being decreased the prospects bid fair for a large increase. He says he feels confident of being able to obtain the means to carry out all his plans for the coming year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sunday School connected with this church was commenced soon after the organization of the church and has been in successful operation ever since. They now number about 250 scholars in regular attendance, which is in reality the highest attendance they have had for some years. Many are now staying away from Sabbath School owing to actual sickness among the children, and perhaps also from fears caused by false reports. As a general thing the Catholic people are very zealous in the Sabbath School cause, and very few, if any, of their children are permitted to stay away. This is as it should be, and if every church in the city would canvass among their membership for Sunday School scholars as faithfully as the Catholics, there would be hundreds of children on their way to Sabbath School every Sunday who now spend that day in idleness.

REGULAR MEETINGS.

They have two masses every Sabbath, the first at 8 A. M., and the second at 10:30 A. M. Sabbath School at 2 P. M., and vespers at 3 P. M. They also have mass every morning at 7 o'clock. All these meetings are well attended by the members, numbers of whom are very faithful and zealous workers in the cause of their church. May success attend every institution set on foot for the promotion of God's cause and the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

Two Important Memorials.

The Board of Trade at its recent meeting, in this city, acted upon and adopted two important memorials presented by our townsman, C. W. Charlton—one on the subject of popular education and the other on immigration. These memorials are to be laid before our Legislature and will, no doubt, meet with that consideration which their importance demands.

We most heartily commend our Board of Trade for its timely action upon this vital question. A more important step could not have been taken by that honorable body. The two issues of the day, are Immigration and Popular Education. Take hold of these and press them forward, and there can be no equivocal grounds occupied by Tennessee, nor can she fail to realize compensatory results. We must educate our people and open the way for population, capital and labor. This is the only way to advance to greatness and to prosperity. We need to-day, a half million or more of enterprising people. Nor are we particular where they come from.

The Legislature, we hope, will meet the just demands and expectations of the people on both of these questions. Give us a good school law, and make a judicious appropriation to furnish facts with regard to our advantages and resources, and to sustain our commissioners of immigration.

Died.

At Melonville, Florida, November 19th, 1872, Mrs. Rachael Earnest, wife of Felix W. Earnest.

The deceased was formerly a resident of this city, her husband being before the war a route agent on the railroad and subsequently postmaster in Knoxville. For many years Mrs. Earnest's health has been very delicate and a change of climate being deemed advisable, by the advice of her physicians, her husband removed to Florida, where they have since resided. But the disease was too deep-seated for cure and her life though prolonged by a change of abode could not be saved, and amid the perfume laden air of the Land of Flowers her spirit took its flight to the abode of the blest.

An Unfortunate Woman at Large.

On Wednesday morning last Martha McGill left the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. Thos. Burchell, 17 miles north of Knoxville on Bull Run, Union county, and has been heard of only once since. On Wednesday night she stayed in a school house on the Knoxville and Ohio Railroad eight miles from here, and it is not known whether she went from there. She is a lunatic, and has wandered away in a fit of insanity. Her friends feel solicitous for her welfare. Any one knowing of her whereabouts will be paid for any trouble in giving information to Luke Wids, of this city, or to Mr. Burchell, residing as above stated.

Tennessee Deaf and Dumb School.

At the annual meeting of this institution, held on the 3d inst., the following officers were unanimously re-elected for 1873:

Jno. L. Moses, President; S. B. Boyd, Treasurer; J. H. Hams, Secretary; J. M. Boyd, Physician.

S. B. Boyd, J. S. Van Gilder, W. K. Eckle, Executive Committee.

The "Ring" Abroad.

Knoxville has a municipal ring as well as Chattanooga. That of Knoxville manifests itself in serving the city for nothing, and getting even by building streets through the property of the ring at the cost of the tax-payers.—Chatt. Times.

Sons of Temperance.

The quarterly session of the Grand Division of East Tennessee Sons of Temperance will be held at the hall of Maryville Division, No. 4, in Maryville, on Thursday afternoon, the 23d inst., at 4 o'clock. A full attendance is desirable.

Married.

On Wednesday, the first day of January, 1873, at the residence of Hon. Thos. H. Caldwell, Shelbyville, Tennessee, by Rev. Clark Polly, Rev. M. M. Callen, of this county, to Miss Helen Bosworth, late of the East Tennessee Wesleyan University.